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RAWHIDE KID™

BLAZING WESTERN ACTION AS YOU LIKE IT!

NOBODY'S TAKIN' IN ONE OF MA MORGAN'S BOYS!
AND ANYBODY WHAT'S DUMB ENOUGH TO TRY GETS A BARRELFUL 'A LEAD!
OKAY, BOYS-- TAKE 'IM!
SHORE WILL, MA!
LIEBER — GIACOIA

THE SINISTER SONS OF MA MORGAN!

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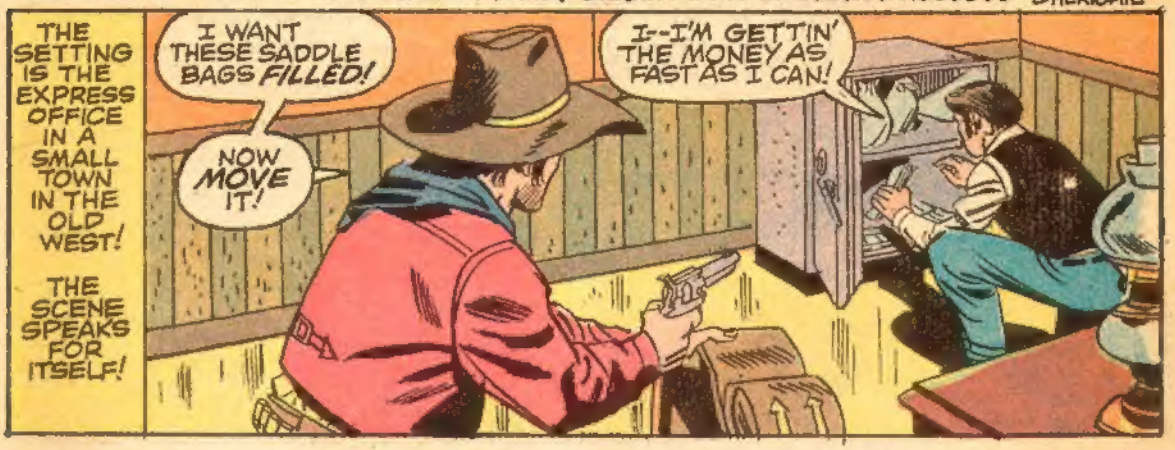
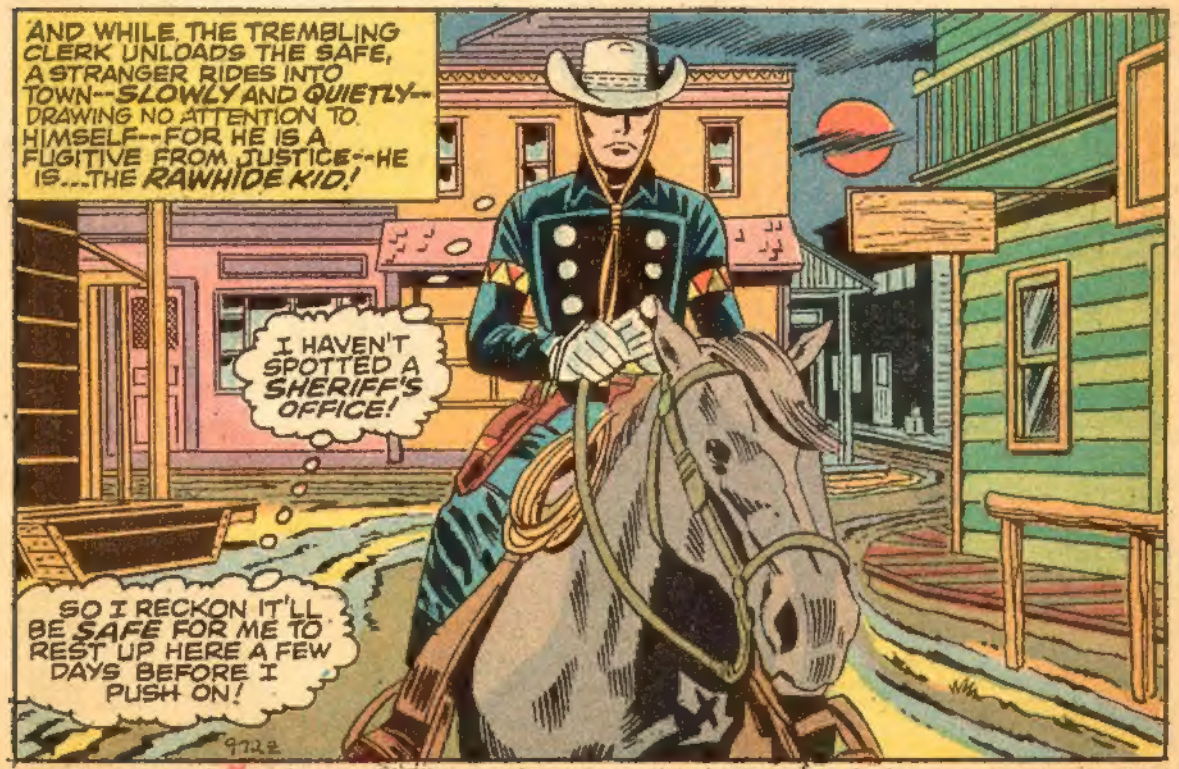

THE SETTING IS THE EXPRESS OFFICE IN A SMALL TOWN IN THE OLD WEST!
THE SCENE SPEAKS FOR ITSELF!
I WANT THESE SADDLE BAGS FILLED!
NOW MOVE IT!
I--I'M GETTIN' THE MONEY AS FAST AS I CAN!


AND WHILE THE TREMBLING CLERK UNLOADS THE SAFE, A STRANGER RIDES INTO TOWN--SLOWLY AND QUIETLY--DRAWING NO ATTENTION TO HIMSELF--FOR HE IS A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE--HE IS...THE RAWHIDE KID!
I HAVEN'T SPOTTED A SHERIFF'S OFFICE!
SO I RECKON IT'LL BE SAFE FOR ME TO REST UP HERE A FEW DAYS BEFORE I PUSH ON!

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BUT SAFETY IS NOT IN THE CARDS FOR THE KID THIS FATEFUL NIGHT!
THAT HOMBRE OUTSIDE--HE MIGHT SPOT WHAT'S GOIN' ON IN HERE!
HURRY UP WITH THAT MONEY!
NOW'S MUH CHANCE TO REACH FOR THE GUN--WHILE HE'S LOOKIN' THE OTHER WAY!
BUT THE CLERK IS TOO FRIGHTENED, AND TOO SLOW!
KRAK!
UNHH!
THAT SHOT--IT CAME FROM THE EXPRESS OFFICE!
I'D BEST HAVE A LOOKSEE!
HEY! STOP!!
MISTER, I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE--
--BUT YUH SURE HAPPENED ALONG AT THE WRONG TIME!
THUD!
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CAUGHT OFF GUARD, THE STRUCK KID LIES UNCONSCIOUS AS THE ROBBER MOUNTS UP AND RIDES OFF!
BUT THE KID WAS NOT THE ONLY ONE TO HEAR THE GUNFIRE!
SOUNDS LIKE IT CAME FROM DOWN THE STREET!
LET'S HAVE A LOOK!
AND AS A GROGGY KID REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS..
THE DOOR TO THE EXPRESS OFFICE IS OPEN!
SOMEONE MUST'VE BROKEN IN!
THAT HOMBRE! I RECOGNIZE HIM! HE'S THE RAWHIDE KID!
HE MUST'VE ROBBED THE OFFICE! C'MON--LET'S GET 'IM!
NO--WAIT--YOU'RE MAKING A MISTAKE!
BUT THE ENRAGED TOWNSMEN ARE NOT ABOUT TO BELIEVE THE PROTESTS OF A FUGITIVE!
IT'S USELESS! I'D BEST MAKE TRACKS FAST!
HE'S HIGH-TAILIN' IT!
MOUNT UP! GET AFTER HIM!
KRAK!
KRAK!
KRAK!
KRAK!
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WITH THE POSSE IN PURSUIT, THE KID HEADS FOR THE HIGH COUNTRY!
THAT HOSS OF HIS IS TOO FAST!
WE'RE LOSIN' HIM!
THERE'S NO CHANCE OF OUR CATCHIN' HIM AT NIGHT!
LET'S HEAD BACK TO TOWN!
MEBBE WE CAN PICK UP HIS TRAIL IN THE MORNING!
BUT WHEN MORNING COMES, THE KID HIMSELF TURNS HUNTER!
MY ONLY CHANCE OF CLEARING MYSELF IS TO TRACK DOWN THE REAL ROBBER, AND BRING HIM IN!
AND AT THAT MOMENT, IN A SECLUDED SHACK NOT FAR AWAY...
IT'S A GOOD HAUL, SON! I'M RIGHT PROUD OF YOU!
THANKS, MA!
YORE PA LIVED HONEST-- AND DIED BROKE!
THAT WAS A MISTAKE THAT WE'RE GONNA RECTIFY... AIN'T WE, BOYS?
YEH, MA!
HOME SWEET HOME
HEY, MA-- THERE'S A RIDER HEADIN' THIS WAY!
OKAY, SIMMER DOWN! YUH BOYS GET UNDER COVER! I'LL HANDLE THIS
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HOWDY, MA'AM!
HAS A RIDER COME BY HERE RECENTLY?
NOPE! YO'RE THE FIRST I'VE SEEN IN A FORTNIGHT!
YOU LOOK LEAN AND PEAKED, STRANGER! I'LL BET YOU HAVEN'T TASTED HOME COOKIN' IN AGES!
COME INSIDE! I'LL GET YUH SOME GRUB!
WHY THANKS, MA'AM! THAT'S RIGHT KIND OF YOU!
HERE, TRY THIS! FOLKS SAY I MAKE THE BEST APPLE PIE IN THE COUNTY!
UMMM... IT SURE SMELLS GOOD!
WHAT'S YORE HANDLE, SON?
JOHNNY... JOHNNY CLAY!
HERE, JOHNNY... HAVE SOME HOT CHOCOLATE TO WASH DOWN THE PIE!
BUT AFTER A FEW SIPS OF THE CHOCOLATE...
I--I SUDDENLY FEEL SO DIZZY!
MY HEAD IS REELING!
I--I CAN'T SEE! YOU DRUGGED ME!
DON'T FIGHT IT, SONNY! JUST RELAX, AND LET IT HAPPEN!
IS HE OUT?
LIKE A LIGHT!
WHO IS HE?
HE SAYS HIS NAME IS CLAY! BUT I SAY HE'S THE RAWHIDE KID!
GET HIS GUNS!
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MINUTES LATER...
WHY'D YUH FOLLOW ME, FRIEND?
FOLKS THINK THAT I ROBBED THE EXPRESS OFFICE!
I HAVE TO TAKE YOU IN TO CLEAR MYSELF!
YO'RE NOT TAKIN' ANYONE IN!
MATTER OF FACT, YO'RE GONNA JOIN UP WITH US!
WE CAN USE A TOP GUN LIKE THE RAWHIDE KID TO REALLY PUT US IN THE BIG-TIME!
NOT ON YOUR LIFE, LADY!
IT AIN'T HER LIFE YUH GOTTA FRET OVER! IT'S YORES!
MISTER, I DON'T LIKE THREATS IN ANY SHAPE OR FORM!
WHY YUH--
WHAM!
I'LL LEARN YUH TO CLOBBER MUH BROTHER!
POW!
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SURE YOU WILL, FUZZY--
--BUT NOT TODAY!
UNHHH!
THUD!
POW!
MAYBE NOT EVEN TOMORROW!
HOW ABOUT ME, HARDCASE?
THINK I CAN TEACH YUH A THING OR TWO?
OOFF!
WOP!
I DON'T KNOW!
LET'S SEE WHO'S STANDING WHEN THE DUST CLEARS!
7

POW!
WHAM!
OKAY, KID--I'LL BUY IT! YO'RE TOUGH!
BUT EVEN YOU CAN'T TAKE ON THE FOUR OF US TOGETHER!
GIT 'IM, BOYS!
NOW WE'LL TURN THE TABLES!
I--I CAN'T HOLD 'IM DOWN!
IT'S LIKE WRESTLING A WILDCAT!
HANG ON! DON'T LET 'IM BUST LOOSE!
BUT SUDDENLY...
RIFLE FIRE!
KRAK!
KRAK!
KRAK!
KRAK!
KRAK!
LOOK OUT!
DUCK!
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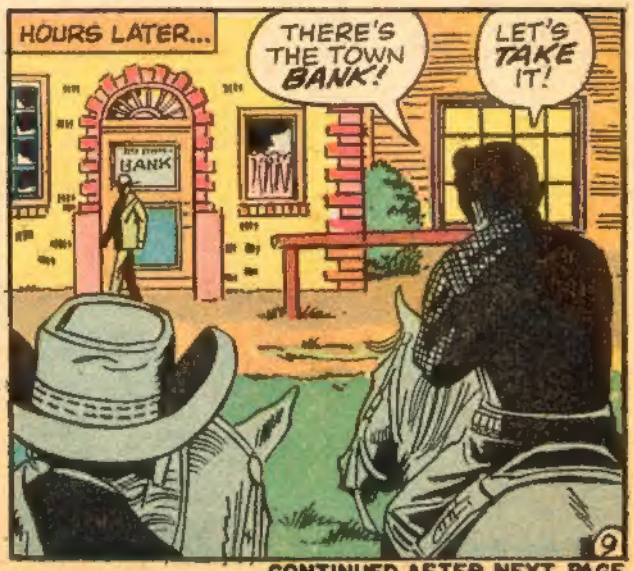
'CAUSE IF YUH DON'T JOIN UP WITH US, MUH BOYS WILL DROP YUH ON THE DOORSTEP OF THE NEAREST MARSHAL'S OFFICE!
BY THE TIME YUH GET OUTA PRISON-- YUH'LL BE OLDER'N ME!
YOU'RE A REAL CHARMER, AREN'T YOU?

I'M A WOMAN WHO WANTS MONEY, AND DON'T MUCH CARE HOW SHE GETS IT!
NOW I'M GONNA GIVE YUH BACK YORE HARDWARE...UNLOADED!
THEN YOU AND MUH BOYS ARE GONNA TAKE A RIDE, SAVVY?
YOU'RE HOLDING ALL THE CARDS!
THAT I AM!



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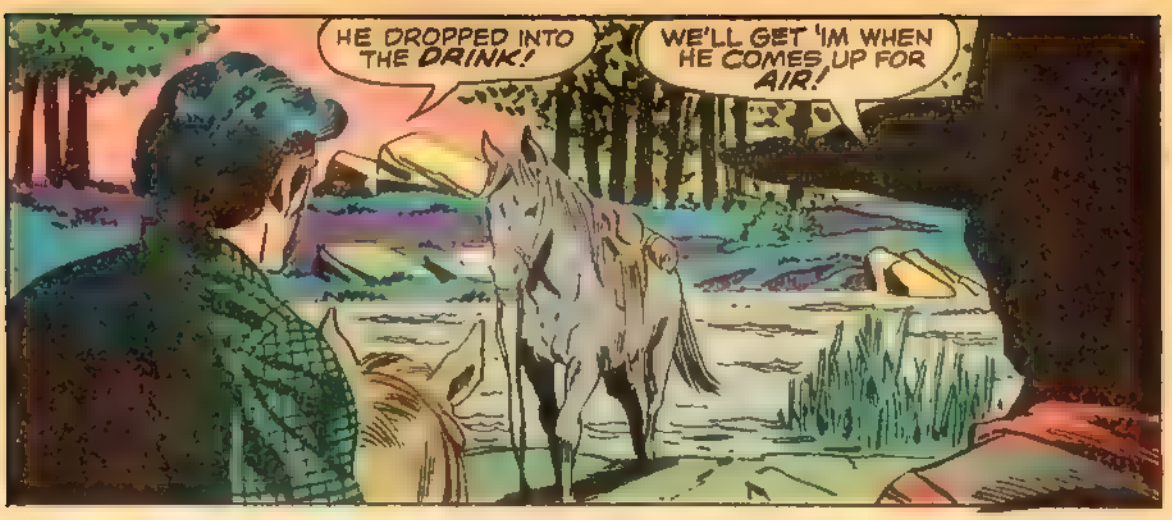
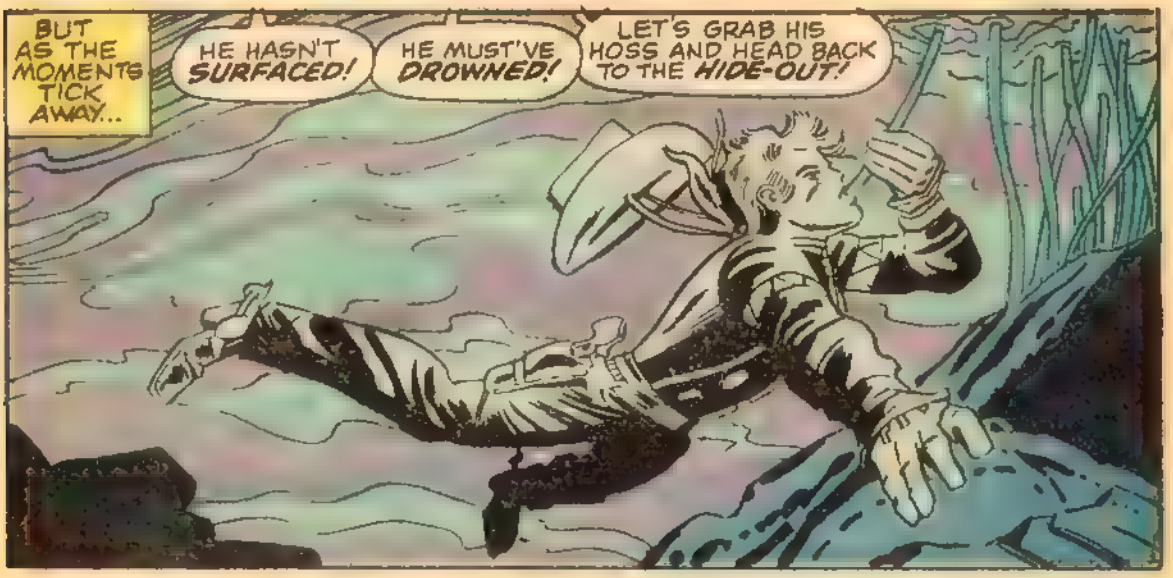
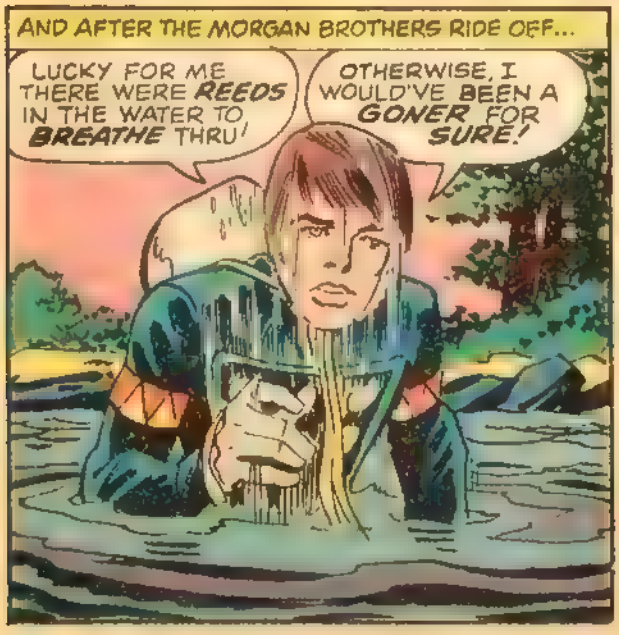
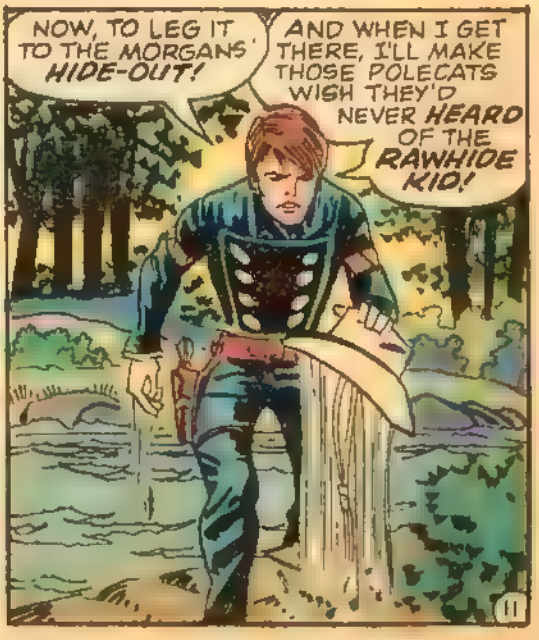
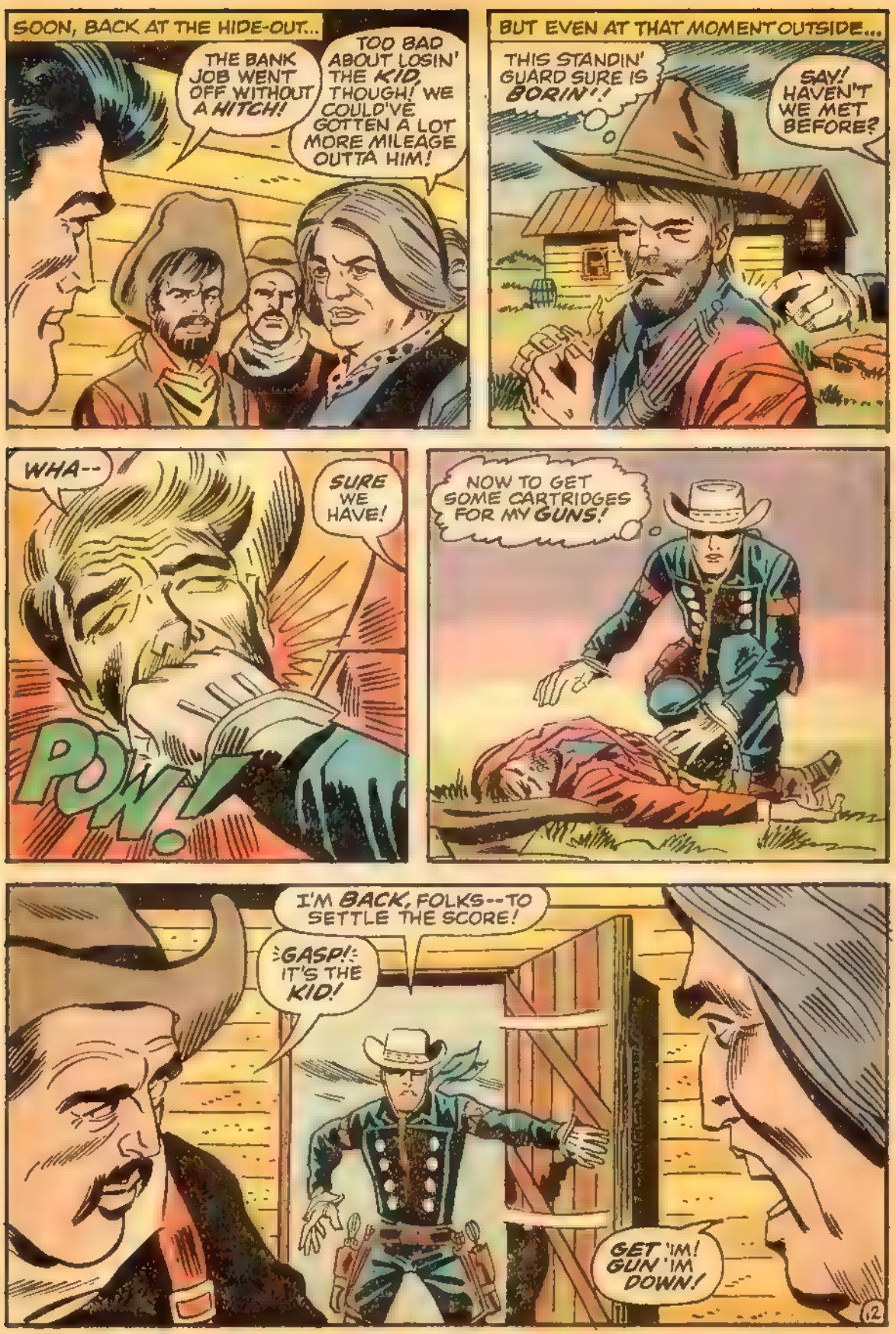
IT'S THE MORGAN BROTHERS
THAT'S RIGHT SMART OF YUH!
STAY SMART AND YUH WON'T GET HURT!
LET'S HAVE YORE CASH!
GIVE IT TO 'EM, SAM! THEY'VE TEAMED UP WITH THE RAWHIDE KID! WE DON'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST HIS GUNS!
D--DON'T SHOOT KID! THE MONEY'S YOURS--ALL OF IT!
THEY DON'T KNOW THAT MY GUNS ARE EMPTY..THAT I'M BEING FORCED TO DO THIS!
BUT I CAN'T TELL THEM THE TRUTH! IF I DO, THE MORGAN BOYS WILL DROP ME WHERE I STAND!
HAH! IT WORKED LIKE A CHARM!
C'MON, LET'S RIDE!
MA WILL BE REAL HAPPY WITH THIS HAUL!
YEH!
BUT SUDDENLY...
THE KID'S HIGH-TAILIN' IT!
HE'S HEADIN' FOR THE RIVER!
DON'T WORRY! HE WON'T GET AWAY!
KRAK!
GOT 'IM!


HE DROPPED INTO THE DRINK!
WE'LL GET 'IM WHEN HE COMES UP FOR AIR!


BUT AS THE MOMENTS TICK AWAY...
HE HASN'T SURFACED!
HE MUST'VE DROWNED!
LET'S GRAB HIS HOSS AND HEAD BACK TO THE HIDE-OUT!


AND AFTER THE MORGAN BROTHERS RIDE OFF...
LUCKY FOR ME THERE WERE REEDS IN THE WATER TO BREATHE THRU!
OTHERWISE, I WOULD'VE BEEN A GONER FOR SURE!


NOW, TO LEG IT TO THE MORGANS' HIDE-OUT!
AND WHEN I GET THERE, I'LL MAKE THOSE POLECATS WISH THEY'D NEVER HEARD OF THE RAWHIDE KID!


SOON, BACK AT THE HIDE-OUT...
THE BANK JOB WENT OFF WITHOUT A HITCH!
TOO BAD ABOUT LOSIN' THE KID, THOUGH! WE COULD'VE GOTTEN A LOT MORE MILEAGE OUTTA HIM!
BUT EVEN AT THAT MOMENT OUTSIDE...
THIS STANDIN' GUARD SURE IS BORIN'!
SAY! HAVEN'T WE MET BEFORE?
WHA--
SURE WE HAVE!
POW!
NOW TO GET SOME CARTRIDGES FOR MY GUNS!
I'M BACK, FOLKS--TO SETTLE THE SCORE!
GASP! IT'S THE KID!
GET 'IM! GUN 'IM DOWN!
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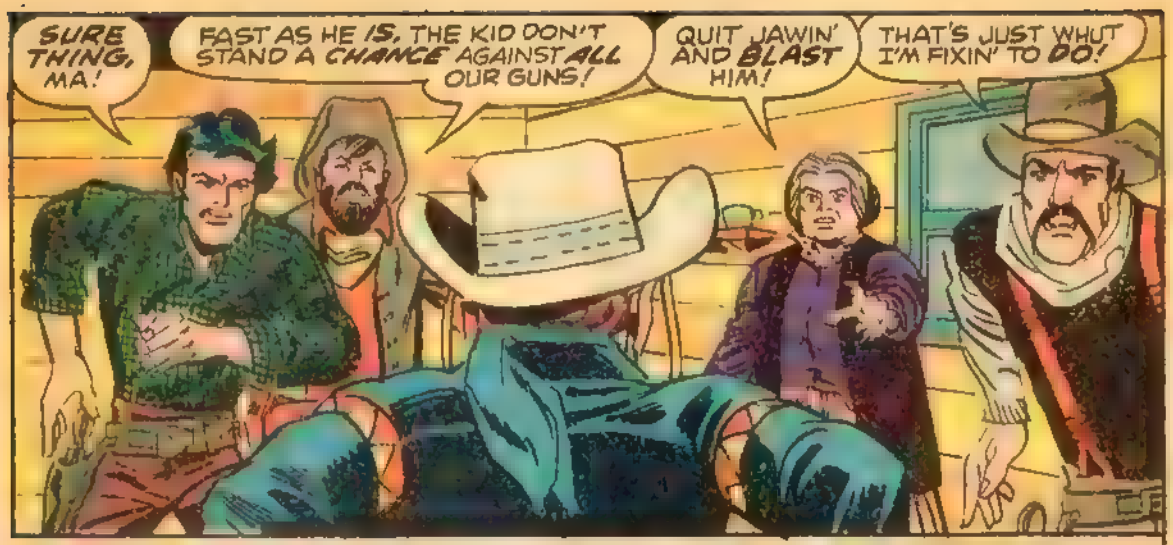
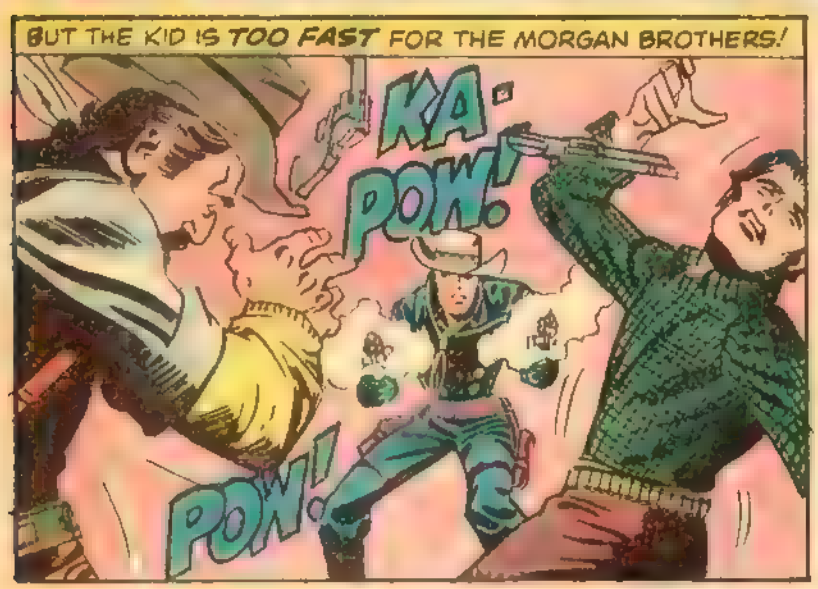
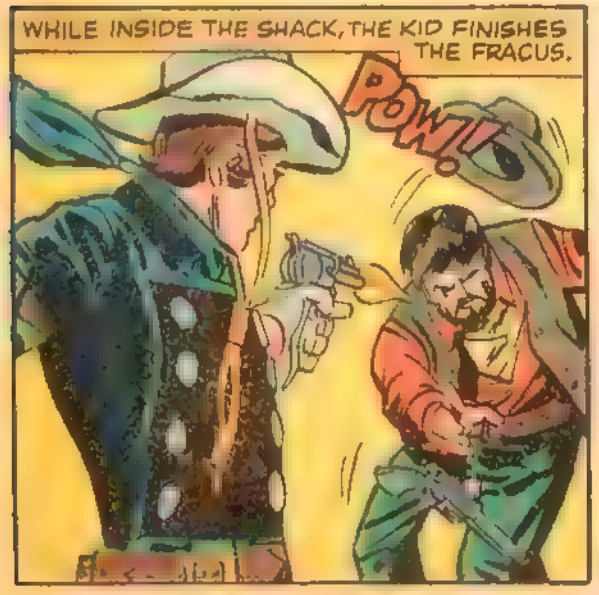
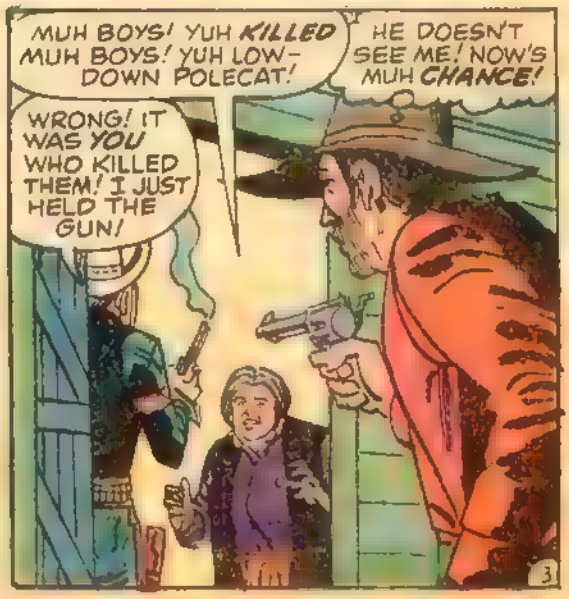

SURE THING, MA!
FAST AS HE IS, THE KID DON'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST ALL OUR GUNS!
QUIT JAWIN' AND BLAST HIM!
THAT'S JUST WHUT I'M FIXIN' TO DO!


BUT THE KID IS TOO FAST FOR THE MORGAN BROTHERS!
KA-
POW!
POW!

BUT OUTSIDE, AWAKENED BY THE SOUND OF GUNFIRE, A FOURTH MORGAN BROTHER GETS TO HIS FEET...


WHILE INSIDE THE SHACK, THE KID FINISHES THE FRACUS.
POW!


MUH BOYS! YUH KILLED MUH BOYS! YUH LOW-DOWN POLECAT!
HE DOESN'T SEE ME! NOW'S MUH CHANCE!
WRONG! IT WAS YOU WHO KILLED THEM! I JUST HELD THE GUN!

I'LL GET YUH FOR GUNNIN' MUH BOYS! S'HELP ME!
THAT REFLECTION IN THE SAUCEPAN!
IT'S THE FOURTH BROTHER! HE'S FIXIN' TO BACKSHOOT ME!
AND FOREWARNED IS FOREARMED!
ARRGH!
KNAK!
POW!
UHH!-- I--I'M HIT!
HANG ON! I'LL GO FETCH A DOCTOR!
IT'S TOO LATE FOR THAT!
TOO LATE FOR MONEY AND POWER! TOO LATE...
FOR EVERYTHING...
MEN OR WOMEN-- IT DON'T MAKE NO NEVER MIND! THE GREEDY AND THE RUTHLESS ALWAYS COME TO THE SAME END!
LATER...
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
THIS IS THE MONEY FROM THE BANK JOB!
I FOUND IT BEHIND MY DESK! THIS NOTE SAYS IT WAS LEFT HERE BY THE RAWHIDE KID!
ONE MORE STOP TO MAKE!
AND AFTER RETURNING THE PAYROLL TO THE EXPRESS OFFICE...
I'VE CLEARED MYSELF OF BOTH ROBBERIES!
BUT I'M NOT OUT OF THE WOODS YET! I'M STILL AN OUTLAW AND A FUGITIVE! I'M STILL-- THE RAW-HIDE KID!
THE END

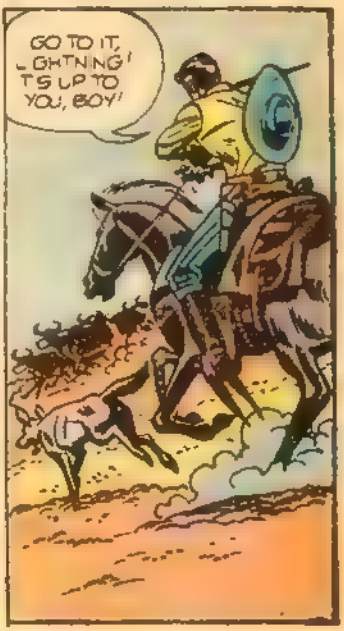
RIDE THE WESTERN RANGE WITH TEX DAWSON...

THE WESTERN KID

AND HIS FIGHTING PALS... WHIRLWIND AND LIGHTNING!

WILL YUH GIVE US A HAND STRANGER? SOMETHING BACK THERE SCARED THESE LONGHORNS AND I AIN'T GOT ENOUGH O' MY BOYS TO CONTROL 'EM!
THAT'S WHY I CAME OVER COWBOY.. TO HELP!
"STAMPEDE!"
JOHN ROMITA

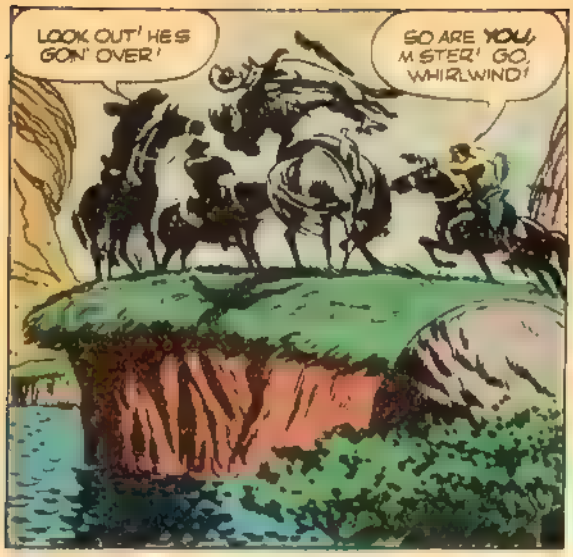
AND SO ANOTHER ADVENTURE STARTS FOR TEX DAWSON AND HIS TWO ANIMAL PARTNERS AS THEY RACE TO HEAD OFF THE STAMPEDING HERD...



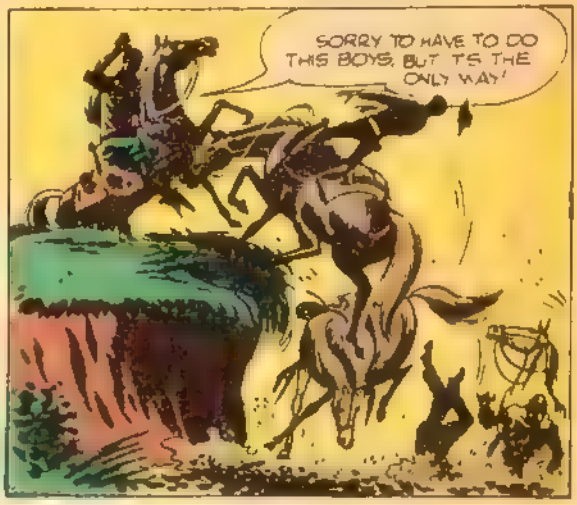
INSTANTLY THE VALIANT DOG TURNS FROM THE DOCILE FRIEND OF MAN. TO A SNARLING ANIMAL, MORE THREATENING THAN ANY PRAIRIE WOLF!

CONFUSED BY THIS NEW PERIL THE STEERS MILL ABOUT UNCERTAIN AS TO WHAT TO DO' THEN TEX AND THE COWBOYS CATCH UP...

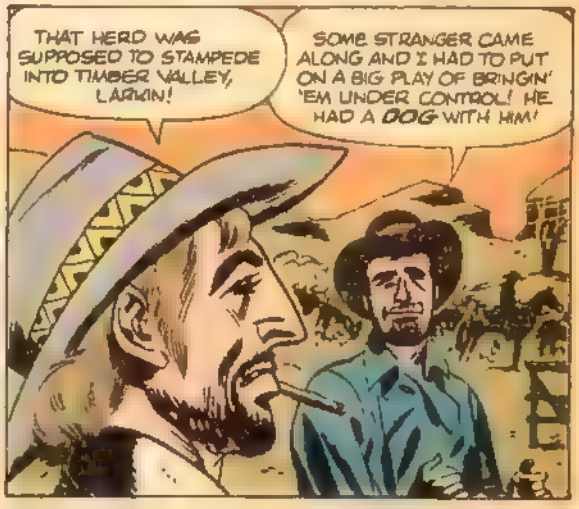
JUST TREAT EM EASY NOW AND THEY'LL COME UNDER CONTROL BOYS
SOMETHING BACK THERE SCARED 'EM?
YEP' AND IT'S HAPPENED EVERY TIME I TRIED TO BRING A HERD THROUGH HERE' I CAN'T FIGURE IT OUT' IT'S BACK IN THAT RAVINE SOMEPLACE'
WELL I'LL CHECK, IF YOU DON'T MIND'
IF YOU FIND ANYTHING I'M AT THE BAR-T.. NAME'S LARKIN'
COULD BE A RATTLER'S NEST THAT SCARED 'EM, SO WALK EASY, AMIGOS'
I DON'T SEE ANYTHING' WHAT ARE YOU SNIFFING, LIGHTNING?
RAISE 'EM, MISTER'
SO YOU'RE THE HOMBRE WHO'S BEEN SCARIN THE LONGHORNS EH?
GOT ME ALL WRONG SHERIFF' I JUST HELPED LARKIN GET HIS HERD UNDER CONTROL'
LARKINS THE ONE WHO TIPPED US OFF ABOUT YOU'



THE MIGHTY HORSE CHARGES, FRIGHTENING THE POSSE'S MOUNTS BACKWARDS



MEANWHILE, AT SILVER GULCH, LARKIN HAS A RENDEZVOUS WITH A MAN NAMED STONE


THAT HERD WAS SUPPOSED TO STAMPEDE INTO TIMBER VALLEY, LARKIN!
SOME STRANGER CAME ALONG AND I HAD TO PUT ON A BIG PLAY OF BRINGIN' 'EM UNDER CONTROL! HE HAD A DOG WITH HIM!

HE HAD A DOG WITH HIM? THAT'S TEX DAWSON, THE WESTERN KID!
WELL, I FIXED HIM! I TOLD THE SHERIFF HE WAS THE HOMBRE WHO STARTED THE STAMPEDE!

GOOD WORK, LARKIN! WE'LL LOSE OUT ON THIS HERD, BUT WHEN YOU BRING THE NEXT ONE THROUGH, I'LL BE WAITIN' AT THE RAVINE!
AND SO WILL I, AMIGO!
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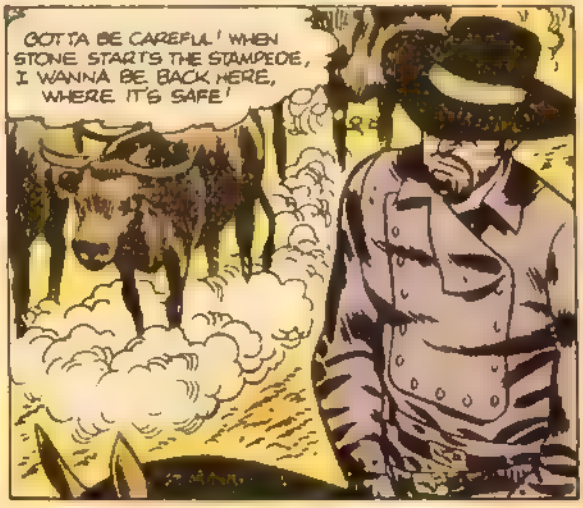
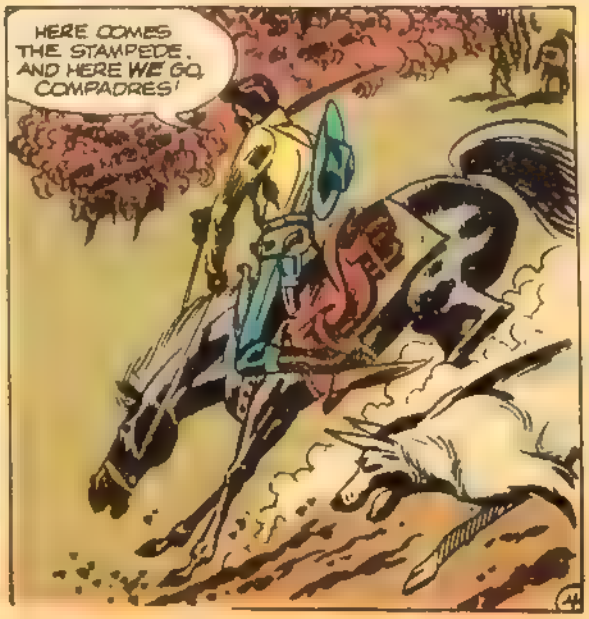
BECAUSE OF CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE BUILT AROUND HIM, TEX DAWSON HAS TO LIE LOW AND WAIT

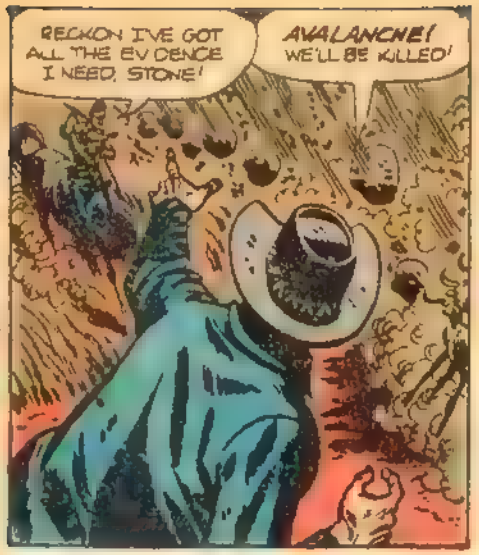
A WEEK WENT BY, AND THEN.
THERE HE GOES, READY TO DRIVE ANOTHER HERD INTO A STAMPEDE AND THE ONLY WAY WE CAN STOP HIM AND CLEAR OURSELVES IS TO GET DIRECT EVIDENCE!

ON COMES THE HERD, DRIVEN BY ONE HALF OF A CONSPIRACY OF TREACHERY!

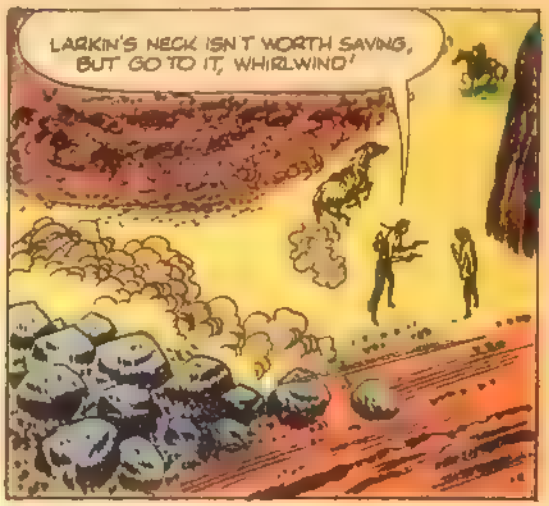




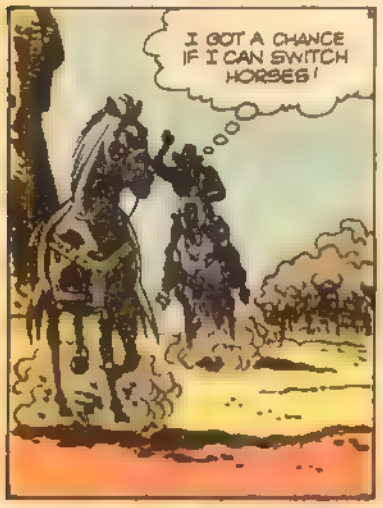
TEX AND HIS PALS START AN AVALANCHE AS THEY SLIDE DOWN THE MOUNTAIN-SIDE..AN AVALANCHE THAT STOPS THE STAMPEDE SHORT!



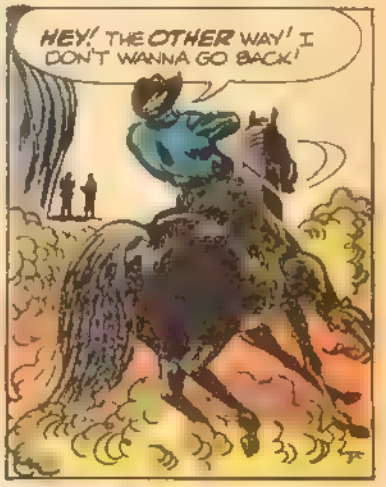
THE HERD NOW TURNS COMPLETELY AROUND AND STAMPEDES WITH *LARKIN* CAUGHT IN ITS PATH!

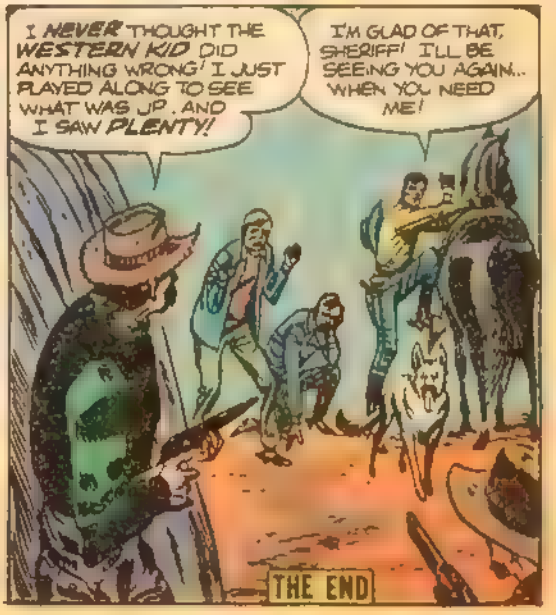


THE GREAT HORSE OUTRUNS THE STAMPEDE AND LARKIN'S OWN HORSE!



BUT WHIRLWIND HAS ONLY ONE RIDER WHO CAN TELL HIM WHAT TO DO SO HE REVERSES HIS PATH!




I NEVER THOUGHT THE WESTERN KID DID ANYTHING WRONG! I JUST PLAYED ALONG TO SEE WHAT WAS UP. AND I SAW PLENTY!
I'M GLAD OF THAT, SHERIFF! I'LL BE SEEING YOU AGAIN.. WHEN YOU NEED ME!
THE END

Another JOE WEIDER breakthrough:

THE END OF THE SKINNY BODY.

GAINS UP TO 16 POUNDS IN 14 DAYS—

adds 2¼" to each arm, 2¼" to his chest!

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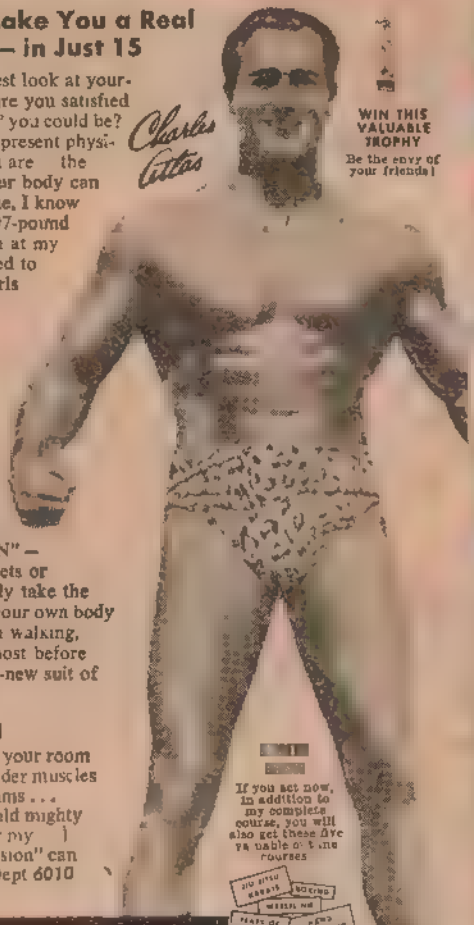

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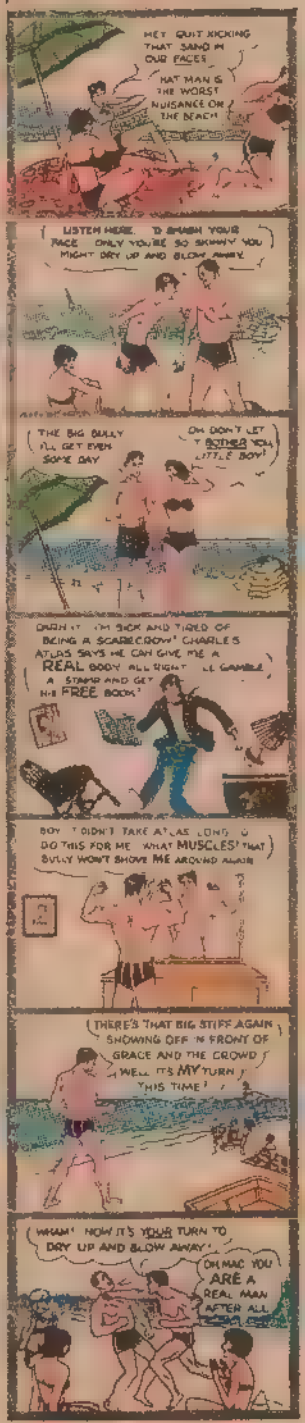
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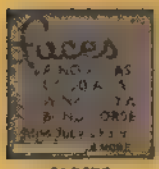

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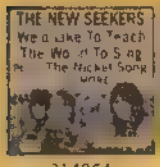

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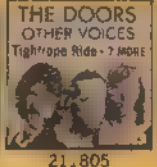

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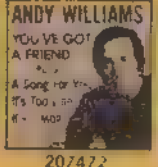

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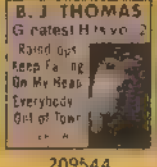

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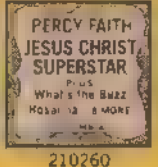

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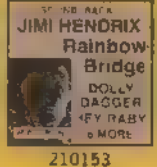

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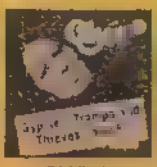

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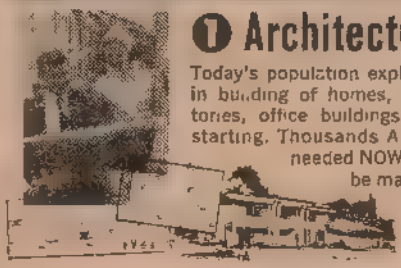

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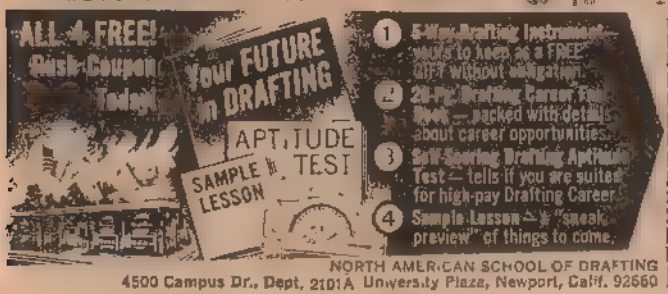
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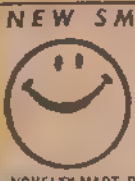

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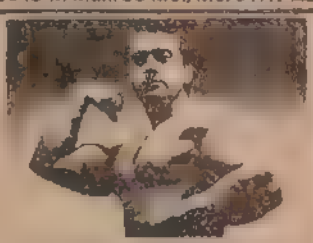

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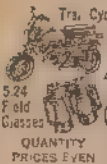

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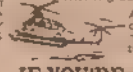

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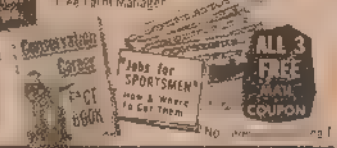

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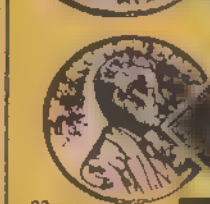

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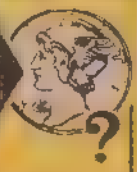

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First and foremost of these new spectaculars just has to be the far-out new feature we call: THE CLAWS OF THE CAT! And if the title doesn't tell you that it's destined to be one of the most action-packed, most talked-about new mags of this or any other year, we'll burn our vintage MMMS cards! What's more, THE CAT is drawn by none other than MARIE SEVERIN — and written by former Marvel staffer LINDA FITE, to boot! (At least *this* time, nobody's gonna be able to write in and say we've got artists and writers who don't understand the female of the species!) Also on sale right now is LINDA CARTER, NIGHT NURSE, drawn by longtime pro WINSLOW MORTIMER and scripted by Roy's own lovely lady, JEANIE THOMAS. Yeah, we know — it sounds like just another romance mag, however well-written and drawn; but take it from us, friend — this one is realistic, exciting — and *different!* And next month sees the dramatic debut of SHANNA, THE SHE-DEVIL — starring perhaps the most beauteous and offbeat jungle heroine in the history of the graphic arts! GEORGE TUSKA is penciling that one, and it's being penned by longtime comix buff CAROL SEULING. That's right, effendi — three great new mags, all written by gals — yet aimed neither at gals *nor* at guys, but at true lovers of comix literature everywhere! Try 'em — you'll like 'em!

ITEM! If you've latched onto the brand new premiere issue of CHAMBER OF CHILLS, Marvel's newest and most nightmarish weird-type entry — or if you dug last month's JOURNEY INTO MYSTERY #1 — then doubtless you've noticed that we've added something a wee bit new to this kind of anthology title! For the foreseeable future (and we've got a zingy new crystal ball!), virtually each and every issue of these two mags, plus the fast-upcoming GOTHIC THRILLERS already in the works, will headline an eerie adaptation of a masterpiece by a major fantasy author! JOURNEY #1 featured a tale by the late great ROBERT E. HOWARD, creator of Conan and Kull — and the first ish of CHAMBER features a story by world-famed author HARLAN ELLISON, whose recent *Again, Dangerous Visions* hardcover volume is already destined to become one of the great s-f works of the 70's! Also on hand in near-future issues of our terror-laden triumvirate will be the likes of THEODORE STURGEON, ROBERT BLOCH (author of *Psycho*), and a whole horde of the greatest names in imaginative fiction! They'll be backed up by plenty of original stories as well, written by some of the finest scripters in the history of comix — and together, they're gonna knock you right out of your haunted house!

ITEM! You'll see a few new names in our credit-captions this time around. We'll let you seek 'em out for yourself — but here's a bit of background: IRV WESLEY, a former Bullpen great in the fabulous 50's, has returned to the fold to help us out with the latest saga of one of our most unique heroes! Then there's a lad named CRAIG RUSSELL, who works with oldtimer DAN ADKINS out in the wilds of Ohio! Oh yes, and how could we forget JIM STARLIN, a talented newcomer who's also been assisting JOHN ROMITA on Spidey's recent capers! Jim, by the way, was brought to Marvel by another of its new lights, RICH BUCKLER! Face it, friends and neighbors — Stan was telling it like it is when he said that the whole Marvel gang was turned on by all the new mags and new projects we've got up our collective sleeve! In fact, the latest word around the Bullpen is that when you work for mighty Marvel, you're not just an artist — you're also a talent scout!

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THOR #205: The Thunder God vs. Mephisto — in the haunted halls of the Sub-World! And the demon's allies are none other than Thor's most trusted friends — including the lady Sif! Get it!

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CHAMBER OF CHILLS #1: Harlan Ellison's "Delusion for a Dragon-Slayer!" And two more of the most macabre masterworks of all! 'Nuff said?

THE CLAWS OF THE CAT #1: The dream of a dedicated genius — or the nightmare of a twisted madman? Which will win in the battle for the soul of the masked huntress we call — the Cat? With the most mind-staggering final page yet!

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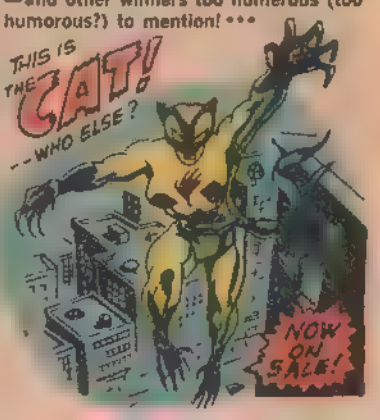

RIDIN' THE TRAIL WITH RAWHIDE

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Dear Stan, Gary, Dick, George, and Jean:

Major truth: Westerns in comics have always seemed to me to be...well, a waste of the medium. Comics are at their best when they portray impossible characters like Spider-Man or the Hulk...because only in comics can these characters be made believable. (Does that make any sense?)

So why am I writing my first letter ever to a comic mag to RAWHIDE KID?

Well, I chanced to pick up my little brother's copy of RAWHIDE #101, featuring "I Shot Jesse James." The Gil Kane cover grabbed me right away. Unlike too many western comics covers, this one had depth...motion ...action.

The Ayers-Roussos splash page was equally exciting. The noose flat and thick in the foreground, the panic-stricken look in Bob Ford's eyes, the angry vibes from the lynch mob, the purple skies—great! It was every John Ford cliché in the world crammed onto one page! Too much even for little ol' western-hating me to resist. So, I read on. And I was impressed.

Missourian Gary Friedrich obviously has a certain affection for the Jesse James legend, and he really did a fine scripting job throughout. Believable dialogue, well-defined motivations...and the Kid's gunplay for once didn't strain the credibility.

All in all, a fine issue. Not Spidey by a long shot (bad pun), but probably the first western comic I've ever really enjoyed. Marvel, you've done it again!!

Howard J. Tockman
8710 Red Bud, St. Louis, Mo. 63117

It's this kind of letter that never ceases to amaze your blushin' Bullpen, Howard. We've got peaceniks who dig SGT. FURY, cynics who revel in MY LOVE, and now a far-out fantasy fan who's into RAWHIDE KID! Now, if we could just latch onto a *Texan* whose favorite character is Ant-Man...! Anyway, thanks, frantic one, from all involved, for your cogent comments on RAWHIDE. And mayest thou ne'er be cursed with a plastic saddle, pardner!

Dear Stan:

I read Robert A. Gillis's letter in RAWHIDE KID #101. About the only things I agree with him on are his comments on RAWHIDE KID and Ringo Kid. I enjoy reprints, since I missed them the first time around.

Since the other western mags don't have letters pages, I will address these comments to RAWHIDE KID: I find the story quality of the western mags going ever so slightly downhill. A case in point is the second story in MIGHTY MARVEL WESTERN #18. Re-read the last panel. Do you seriously think a real life episode would end like that? Do you really think the sidewinders from Bushwhack Country would give up so easily? If you do, they must not really be sidewinders.

OUTLAW KID #10 was excellent. 'Nuff said!

WESTERN GUNFIGHTERS #10: "The Legend of Black Rider," panel 2, page 5...you've left Black Rider standing in mid-air. The Apache Kid story was good. Who scripts these stories and does the artwork? I could find no credits.

TWO-GUN KID #104, "Invitation to a Gunfight": Somebody goofed! Brett's word balloon (page 7, panel 4) belongs to the Two-Gun Kid. He got the story from the boys in panel 4, page 5 after he gave them a whooping, right?

Please try to refrain from these errors in the future. I really like western stories.

RFO, TTB, KOF Wayne Springer
4107 Longfield Drive
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And we really like western *fans*, Wayne! Still, we're just a tad dismayed that you'd think Mighty Marvel would portray anything but a *real* sidewinder in a rootin'-tootin' Rawhide Kid tale. It's just that the guys from Bushwhack Country realized like the rest of us that taxes are inescapable!

As for Black Rider standing in mid-air...well, that was one of those new-fangled "cinematic" shots, not to be taken literally, okay?

The Apache Kid story in WESTERN GUNFIGHTERS #10 was drawn by the late, great Joe Maneely. Unfortunately, no script credits are available.

Finally, you're absolutely right about that word balloon, hombre, and we humbly apologize for putting words in Brett's mouth that didn't belong. And for spotting that error, we're sending you an honest-to-Charlie McCarthy ventriloquist-approved no-prize. Hasta la vista, soulful one!

Dear Stan and Larry,

Back in issue #90, David Hayes asked you about how the Kid became an outlaw. You said he won a fight with a cattle rustler. Then in issue #91, on page 11, the Kid thinks back, and it shows that two sidewinders killed his uncle. Then, it shows him killing them and being framed for murder. So tell me, did he become an outlaw killing the two sidewinders or the one cattle rustler?

Brian De Lorenzce
508 Front Avenue, Paseto, Penn. 18013

Hmmmm. Looks like you've caught us dead to rights, Brian. We goofed. Actually, the story in RAWHIDE KID #91 is the correct one. Rawhide outdrew two sidewinders in a fair fight and was later blamed for their murder. Although, by now, we wouldn't be surprised if someone had pinned that rustler's demise on him, too! Keep ridin' tall, friend.

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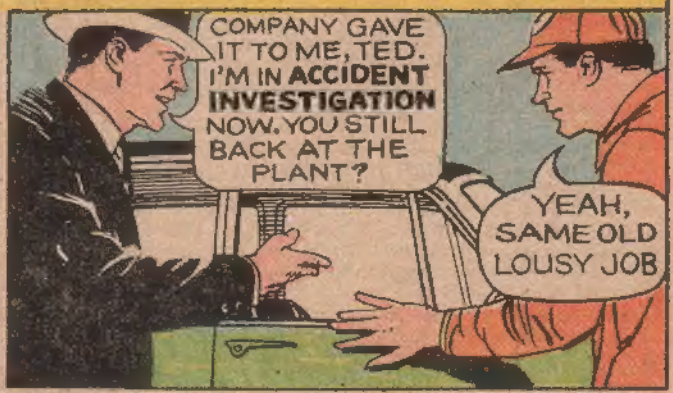

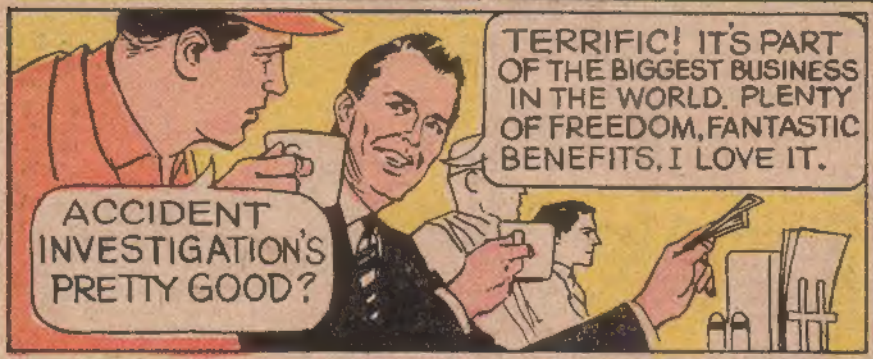
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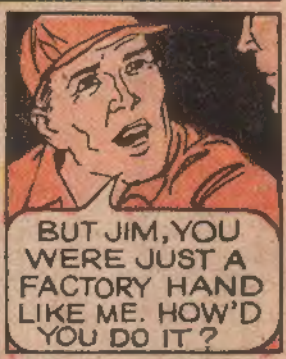

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